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SUBJ: ADDITIONAL DUTCH ASSISTANCE TO RHODESIAN PATRIOTIC
FRONT REFUGEES

REF: LUSAKA 0915 (NOTAL)

1. ACCORDING TO LOCAL DUTCH EMBOFF, THE NETHERLANDS GOVERN-
MENT HAS ALLOCATED 500,000 DUTCH GUILDERS TO EACH OF THE TWO
BRANCHES OF THE RHODESIAN PATRIOTIC FRONT--ZAPU AND ZANU
(MUGABE)--FOR REFUGEE RELIEF. THESE ALLOCATIONS FOLLOW THE
EARLIER GRANTS OF U.S. \$250,000 TO BOTH ZAPU AND ZANU TOWARD
THE END OF 1976 (REFTEL).

2. THE NEW FUNDS FOR ZAPU ARE BEING EXPENDED IN ZAMBIA AND
ZANU IS USING THEM IN MOZAMBIQUE. ZAPU IS CURRENTLY BUYING
CORN FLOUR, MEAT AND FRESH VEGETABLES WITH THE DUTCH FUNDS.
THE DUTCH EMBASSY HAS NOT BEEN PROVIDED ACCESS TO THE
BENEFICIARIES OF ITS AID AND IS A BIT UNCOMFORTABLE SHOULD
IT BE ASKED TO ESTABLISH THAT NO DIVERSIONS ARE BEING MADE
TO SUPPORT THE MILITARY CADRES RATHER THAN REFUGEES.

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3. EARLY THIS WEEK ZAPU OFFICIALS TOLD THE DUTCH EMBASSY
THAT CURRENTLY THERE WERE 13,500 REFUGEES IN ZAMBIA UNDER
ITS CHARGE. HOWEVER, ZAPU DID NOT PROVIDE ANY BREAKDOWN
OF THE AGES OR SEXES OF THE REFUGEES.

4. THE DUTCH EMBOFF SAID HIS GOVERNMENT'S AID TO SWAPO
(AMOUNT MENTIONED) WAS CHANNELED THROUGH THE ZAMBIAN

MINISTRY OF DEFENSE WHICH HAD BEGUN TO PROVIDE PROGRESS REPORTS ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMODITIES. THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE REPORTS ARE CONSIDERED REASONABLE ASSURANCE THAT NO UNACCEPTABLE DIVERSION OF HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE IS TAKING PLACE.

COMMENT: TWO WEEKS AGO ZAPU OFFICIALS TOLD US THAT THERE WERE 3,500 RHODESIAN CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 16 IN ZAMBIA. WE SUSPECT THAT THE NUMBER OF 3,500 SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN IN ZAMBIA MAY BE HIGH BUT SUCH A TOTAL COULD BE REACHED IN THE NOT TOO FAR DISTANT FUTURE. AS TO THE FIGURE OF 13,500 REFUGEES THIS SEEMS TO BE ON THE HIGH SIDE UNLESS IT INCLUDES FIGHTING CADRES. HOWEVER, IF THE EXODUS FROM RHODESIA CONTINUES AT THE SAME RATE AS IT HAS IN THE LAST FEW MONTHS, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT ZAMBIA COULD END UP WITH 13,500 RHODESIANS NOT ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN THE LIBERATION STRUGGLE. SHOULD THE NUMBER OF BONA FIDE RHODESIAN REFUGEES SWELL TO EXCEED 10,000, ZAPU AND THE GRZ WILL BE HARD PUT TO MEET THEIR MINIMUM BASIC REQUIREMENTS WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE.
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